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Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Morning Star, 30,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Harvester, 2000 haddock, 6000 cod, 20,000 hake.
Sch. Wodan, 300 haddock, 1300 cod.
Sch. Lawrence Scrolla, 2500 haddock.
Sch. Olivia Sears, 1800 cod.
Sch. Eva Avina, 7000 cod.
Sch. Bulah Maud, 2000 haddock.
Sch. Dixie, 300 haddock, 6000 cod, 100 hake.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 2600 cod.
Steamer Bryda F., 14,000 pollock.
Sch. Valentinna, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 7000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 cusk.
Sch. Athena, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Washakie, 6000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Seaconnet, 7000 haddock, 3000 cod.
Sch. Mary E. Silveira, 11,000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. M. Madeliene, 5000 cod.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Mary C. Santos, 35,000 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Alice, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 cusk.
Sch. Emerald, 4000 haddock.
Sch. Nettie Franklin, 8000 haddock, 5000 cod.
Sch. Genesta, 10,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, 3000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. F. D. Brown, 1500 cod.
Sch. Klondike, 3000 cod.
Haddock, \$3.50 to \$3.85 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.25 to \$3.80; market cod, \$2.50 to \$2.75; hake, \$1 to \$3; cusk, \$1 to \$1.50; pollock, \$2.35.

Portland Arrivals.

Fish receipts were light Monday. Sloop Highland Belle had 2000 pounds of fresh fish and sloop Bennie 1500 pounds.

New Schooner for Portland.

W. I. Adams & Co. of East Boothbay are building a new vessel for Capt. William Black of Harpswell. She will be launched about May 25 and will fish out of Portland. She will be knock-about rigged and is a handsomely modelled craft, a little smaller than the new Portland sch. Topsail Girl.

Alewives in Essex River.

Alewives are now running well in Essex river and 20 barrels were brought here last night.

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FISH SELLING AT GOOD PRICES

Thirty-two Arrivals at Boston Since Yesterday Noon.

The 32 vessels at T wharf today are getting good prices for their fish. Most of the trips are small, sch. Frances P. Mesquita, from off-shore having the largest, 50,000 pounds, the bulk of which are cod. The rest of the fleet are shore fishermen with catches of from 1000 to 22,000 pounds.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, with 45,000 pounds, was in there yesterday afternoon and took out, going to Gloucester during the night. Sch. Eugenia, one of the Rips fleet, has 20,000 pounds of fresh cod and sch. James and Esther at the same line of fishing, has 18,000 pounds.

Two of the pollock seiners, steamers Quartette and Bryda F., are in, the former with 16,000 pounds and latter 8000 pounds.

Of the shore boats, sch. Belbina P. Domingoes has the high trip, 22,000 pounds. Schs. Mary B. Greer, Mildred V. Nunan, Metamora, Louisa R. Silva and Arbitrator have good fares, in the neighborhood of 20,000 pounds, and the Provincetown sch. Joseph P. Johnson, from the Cape Cod grounds, has 28,000 pounds.

Haddock are bringing \$3 to \$3.25, with large cod at from \$2.75 to \$3; market cod are worth from \$2.25 to \$2.50, hake from \$1 to \$2.75, with pollock at \$1.10 and cusk \$1.

The Halifax steamer brought in the first large consignment of fresh live lobsters from that place to Boston Tuesday. There were 566 crates consigned to Boston parties, and one box of fresh caught eastern salmon.

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SEVEN NETTERS GET GOOD

HAULS.

Mackerel Received Both at New York and Newport This Morning. Seiners Now Off Long Island but no Fish Showing.

Two of the southern mackerel netting fleet are at Fulton Market, New York, today, and a fleet of five also at Newport, R. I. The former struck the fish in good shape for both have fine fares. Sch. Mabel Bryson, Capt. Joseph Sampson, of this port, has 1400 large fish and the New York netter Lew Erickson has 1900 fish. Both will make fine stocks.

Both these crafts got their fish 40 miles southeast of Barnegat.

Beside these fares, the Fulton Market dealers have other fish to work on, for they received 40 barrels from the Atlantic City shore boats this morning, these being shipped to them, as also were a few boxes of large fish from the boats and traps at Montauk, Long Island.

As stated in the Times yesterday, these net fish are covering an unusually large stretch of fishing ground and this is taken as a sign of a good netting season.

Sch. Mabel Bryson has lost no time in securing her first trip, as she is only eight days out from here.

Besides the two netters from New York, the netter Louise put in somewhere on the New Jersey coast yesterday and shipped three barrels of large mackerel, which reached Fulton Market this morning.

Five Netters at Newport.

Five of the Cape Cod mackerel netting fleet are at Newport, R. I. this morning, the Times representative at that port reporting the catches as follows:

Sloop Active, 80 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Betsy Ross, 100 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop Olga, 140 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Alice, 65 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Dart, 120 large fresh mackerel.

The fish were all taken in the neighborhood of Newport and the crafts could not have been far off from there either as the Dart, which is in today with 120 fish, was also in the day before with 73 fish, that being the first catch of the season there.

Seining Fleet Coming This Way.

A special to the Times from its Fulton Market correspondent says that the following crafts of the southern mackerel seining fleet harbored at Tompkinsville: Schs. Arabia, Rex, Aloha, Ingomar, Constellation, Hattie M. Graham, Marguerite Haskins, and Ralph L. Hall.

Capt. Lyman Wildes of sch. Arabia reports that the vessels have seen plenty of birds lately, but no fish schooling. This would indicate that the fish are there all right, but are coming along without showing.

The next move of some of the fleet will be to work to the eastward to look for the fish to show up off Shinnecock, Montauk, Block Island and No Man's Land, instead of working back to the southward again.

Sch. Monarch was at Tompkinsville yesterday and sailed again.

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Good Georges Stock.

Sch. Ella G. King, Capt. Benjamin Johnson, weighed off 41,000 pounds of salt cod at this port yesterday, in addition to 5000 pounds of halibut landed at Portland on Monday, making the fine stock of \$1579, which is the best in this line of fishing for some time. The high line of the crew shared \$78. William King, owner of the craft, is certainly in luck, for another of his Georgesmen, sch. William H. Rider, was in with a big trip only a few days ago, stocking nearly \$1400.

Seined School of Pollock.

Sch. Mary Emerson, Capt. Charles Nelson, made a good catch off here yesterday, seining a school of pollock and bringing it in here, selling to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company. The craft weighed off 25,000 pounds.

Several of the motor boats were over from Ipswich bay yesterday afternoon with small catches of cod and pollock, which they sold at the Fort.

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LOBSTERS FOR THE PACIFIC.

Large Consignment Shipped in Special Car from Halifax Tuesday.

Everything that experts of fish culture can suggest has been done that the consignment of 2000 lobsters which were shipped from Halifax Tuesday, to be placed in the waters of the Pacific shall arrive at Vancouver in good shape.

Each lobster, except when the crustaceans are rather smaller than the average, has a little compartment all to itself with a plentiful supply of sea-weed and will be sprinkled with salt water eight or ten times a day. Thus Mr. Finlayson, Canadian inspector of hatcheries, expects to get them to the Pacific sturdy enough to propagate there. The lobsters can not get out of their compartments and those that are packed two in a bunk are so placed that they cannot bite each other.

An entire express car is being used to transfer lobsters. In this car are several dozen large crates fitted with shallow trays of perforated galvanized iron. These trays are again sub-divided off into individual compartments. At the top of the package is a tray of ice and there is an arrangement by which the temperature is regulated. Before the lobsters are placed in their trays a layer of sea-weed is put in and they are also covered over with sea-weed before being fastened in. The perforations in the trays permits the sea water of which several casks are carried to percolate all over the interior of the package.

This package was designed especially for this purpose by Mr. Finlayson. The great difficulty at first experienced in shipping live lobsters was that they were of very pugnacious disposition and when placed loose, fought continually and arrived at their destination in a very much mangled state.

When the first shipment was sent to the Pacific plugs were placed in their claws so that they could not do any damage, but through some oversight they were placed in the water in this condition and that was all that was ever heard of them. The present shipment is the fourth that has been sent out and it is expected to be the most successful of the lot.

About a year ago Mr. Finlayson took a consignment of 1600 out in these packages and only lost about 50 of them. As yet the lobster has never been successfully propagated in the Pacific.

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FISH RECEIPTS INCREASED.

Amount Landed Here in April Ahead of Last Year.

Despite the fact that April was a very dull month in the fishing line at this port, the receipts here for that month were a little larger than for April of 1908, but far behind those of April, 1907.

Salt cod shows a little falling off from April, 1908, and fresh cod are about 150,000 pounds under, while haddock shows a slight gain. Hake is about the same and cusk shows an increase of 200,000 pounds. Pollock fell off 75,000 pounds and fresh halibut made a most gratifying increase of almost 300,000 pounds. The fresh halibut receipts of the month at this port, Boston and Portland aggregated about 550,000 pounds, the largest month's receipts for a long time.

The following comparative table gives the catch of the different fish for 1909, 1908 and 1907 in April, also the total ground fish catch of these three years to date:

	1909	1908	1907
	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.
Salt Cod ...	145,300	166,900	315,300
Fresh Cod ...	233,500	523,600	1,004,000
Haddock ...	664,100	652,200	1,302,000
Hake	56,700	33,300	23,025
Cusk	246,600	48,400	96,800
Pollock ...	50,000	127,700	391,500
Halibut ...	381,100	83,400	401,600
Fresh Halibut	9,655	550	3,352
Total ...	1,936,955	1,636,050	3,537,577
Cured Fish	Qtls.		
	January 1 to May 1.		
	1909	1908	1907
	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.
Grnd F'sh	6,093,365	7,102,760	8,946,502
Cured Fish	Qtls.	Qtls.	Qtls.
	6,000	8,000	900

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HERRING AT THE MAGDALENS.

Annual Spring Rush of Fishing Vessels Has Begun.

The annual spring rush of fishing vessels for the Magdalen Islands for fresh herring baitings and salt herring cargoes, has begun. Advices from Port Hawkesbury, C. B., state that the wind Monday was southwest and that there is little ice left in the Strait of Canso and it is believed there will be no more in that narrow, but important thoroughfare this spring.

In port at Hawkesbury, on Monday, all ready to start for the Magdalens, were the fresh halibuting sch. Mo-ween of Duxbury, the salt banker Orinoco of this port, the Nova Scotia bankers Warren C. Walters, Alhambra, Nellie, Yukon, Aguadilla, Oregon, Henry L. Montague, Alma Nelson and Hawanee, also the Bucksport sch. Arthur V. S. Woodruff, the latter bound to the islands for a salt herring cargo.

On Monday, the Boston halibuting sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, Capt. Stephen Black, sailed from Mulgrave, N. S., bound for the Magdalens for her baiting, as also did the halibuting sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert B. Porper, and the salt banker Corona, Capt. Horace Wilde, both of this port. Beside these craft to sail was the Nova Scotia sch. Beatrice S. Mack and behind them were strung out a big fleet of 20 sail of fishing craft, all bound for the same destination for the same object. At Mulgrave, Monday, and ready to sail, were the Nova Scotia bankers Edith Marguerite, Uncle Sam and Elsie M. Walters.

While the above good sized fleet has been holding off at Mulgrave and Hawkesbury waiting for the ice to go out, a still larger fleet of American and Nova Scotia fishing vessels has been in harbor at Canso, N. S., all awaiting the ice movement from the straits, and all bound to the Magdalens for their baiting. Among the crafts there on Monday were the salt bankers Athlete, Blanche, Theodore Roosevelt, Arcadia and Claudia, and the fresh halibuter Agnes of this port, also a big fleet of Nova Scotia bankers, including schs. Hiawatha, Maderia, Earl Gray, Hazel L. Ritchey, Muriel M. Young, Palatia, Juniata, Romo, Parama, Vivian B. Walters, Defender, J. A. McLane, Warren G. Winters, Lila D. Young Moran, Calavera, Alhambra, Earl V. S., Ambition, Lucania, Russell H. Pentz and Uranus. All this big fleet are reported as starting out Monday for the Magdalens.

The herring are always at the islands by the time the fleet is able to reach there, and things are very lively while the crafts are getting their first baiting. As soon as the first is fished up, the crafts will go back for another and sometimes a third.

As far as can be learned, the American bankers have done fairly well as a whole on their home, or frozen baitings, and some of them have been hung up for quite a little while now waiting for the chance to get fresh bait. Naturally their captains and crews are anxious to get it and get away for the fishing grounds again at the earliest possible moment, for time, just now, with the ice just leaving the grounds, means good fishing, so there will be some tall tearing around at the Magdalens when the whole big fleet strikes there.

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Repairing at North Sydney.

The ocean-going steel tug James Reid, arrived at North Sydney, C. B., Monday morning from Point Tupper with sch. Georgie Campbell of this port in tow. The Campbell left here on March 8 and has 100,000 pounds of fish on board. Her bottom has been damaged considerably as the result of her being driven ashore, by the ice recently at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., and she is making considerable water. She was taken on the marine railway Monday for repairs.

Harbor Notes.

The new sch. Georgia, Capt. Cahoon, will take ice today for her seining trip. Capt. Cahoon will go down around Montauk and Block Island way.

Sch. Morning Star, Capt. Freeman H. Decker, is here from Boston to haul out of haddocking and fit for mackerel seining.

Capt. Gilbert Gallant is getting the little sch. Mertis H. Perry ready for a Cape Shore mackerel seining trip.

Capt. Christopher Carrigan is fitting sch. Gladiator for a Cape Shore seining trip.

The Portsmouth brick barge Greenland is in port today.

Schs. Georgianna and Conqueror of the seining fleet, are all ready to sail and will probably get away today, as will the gasoline auxiliary seiner Shenandoah. Sch. Muriel is pretty near ready, and will soon go.

Capt. S. Campbell Peart is here from Guysboro, N. S.

Sch. Mary E. Harty is having her engine repaired and will get away tonight or tomorrow for the south seining grounds.

Sch. Catherine G. Burke is all ready to sail fresh halibuting under command of Capt. John Olson.

The netting sch. Mabel E. Leavitt sailed south Tuesday. Schs. Hobo and Freedom have gone today, and sch. Florida will probably get away some time today.

Sch. Gladiator is on Parkhurst's railways.

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Today's Receipts.

Sch. Mary Emerson, shore, 25,000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Lydia F., shore, 1000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Herbert and Emma, shore, 2000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Bessie A., shore, 1000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Independence, shore, 2000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.

Sch. Morning Star, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Georgianna, seining.

Sch. Terra Nova, seining.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, seining.

Sch. Conqueror, seining.

Sch. Muriel, seining.

Sch. Maud F. Silva, haddocking.

Sch. Rose Standish, haddocking.

Sch. Mary E. Sinnett, haddocking.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, pollock seining.

Sch. Margie Smith, Rips.

Sch. Cecil H. Low, Georges.

Sch. Hockmoeck, south netting.

Sch. Freedom, south netting.

Sch. Florida, south netting.

Today's Fish Market.

Salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50 per cwt. medium do., \$3; snapper do., \$1.75.

Bank halibut, 6 1-2 cts. per lb. for white and 4 1-2 cts. for gray.

Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.

Large "halibut" cod, salt, \$3 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.50; snapper do., \$1.50.

Large "Drift" Georges cod, salt, \$3.12 1-2 per cwt.; medium do., \$2.75; snapper do., \$1.75.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.40; Eastern cod, large, \$1.55; medium do., \$1.30; cusk, \$1.50; for large, \$1.10 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 60c; hake, 60c.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$2.75 per cwt., medium \$2.50, snappers \$1.50.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers \$1.

Round pollock, 50c per cwt.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Preceptor and S. P. Willard were at Liverpool, N. S., on Monday and cleared the same day.

Sch. Carrie L. Hirtle of Lunenburg, N. S., arrived at her home port on Monday from Halifax with 300 quintals codfish obtained on the Grand Banks.

Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson is at Boston taking stores for a mackerel seining trip.

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, 15,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, 14,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Peter Brothers, 2300 haddock.

Sch. Eugenia, 20,000 cod, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Minerva, 700 cod, 200 hake.

Sch. Lena May, 4500 haddock, 500 cod.

Steamer Bryda F., 8000 pollock.

Sch. James and Esther, 1000 haddock, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Motor, 6000 haddock, 400 cod, 500 hake.

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Sch. Liberty, 1800 haddock, 600 cod.

Steamer Quartette, 16,000 pollock.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 15,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Metamora, 16,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, 15,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 20,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Teresa and Alice, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 6000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Louisa R. Silva, 12,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 2200 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, 6000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 6000 haddock, 4000 cod.

Sch. Edith J. Silveira, 10,000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Arbitrator, 10,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Nettie, 1500 haddock, 3500 cod.

Sch. Morning Star, 3000 cod.

Sch. Stranger, 3000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Matiana, 8500 haddock, 3500 cod.

Sch. Mary F. Fallon, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Nokomis.

Sch. Leo.

Sch. Laura Enos, 1000 cod.

Haddock, \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.75 to \$3; market cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; hake, \$1 to \$1.75; pollock, \$1.10; cusk, \$1.

Portland Fishing Notes.

The fishing schooners Tecumseh and Mary Edith put in at Portland Tuesday for a harbor, both with good fares on board. They have been at Boothbay for fresh bait and will make one more setting before going to Gloucester with their fares.

The only fish landed here Tuesday were from a few of the small boats, but larger receipts are expected today.

Sch. Albert D. Willard took on her shortened masts at Long wharf Tuesday, and after making other repairs will fit out for summer fishing.

Herring from Essex.

Capt. William McDonald, the bait man, had 26 barrels of alewives from Essex Tuesday, and 46 barrels yesterday. None came down this morning.

Capt. Levi Nickerson, formerly of this city, now of Great Point, Nantucket, writes the Times that there are plenty of half sized herring and squid being taken there, and no vessels to bait, and that the traps are turning away from 50 to 100 barrels a day. This is unusually early to hear of squid being taken in these waters.

RE-OPEN FISH HOUSE.

John Nagle & Co. have re-opened their wholesale fish house on Central wharf Newburyport for the summer.

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FRENCH FISHING CRAFT LOST.

Crew Were Saved and Landed at St. Pierre, Miquelon.

The first of the season's disasters to the French fishing fleet on the Grand Bank has already happened. One brigantine has gone down but fortunately her crew are safe.

A dispatch from St. Pierre, Miquelon, says that the crew of 36 men of the French bank fishing brigantine Turenne, arrived there Sunday on the brigantine Annais, bringing news of the sinking of their craft while anchored on the Grand Banks on Tuesday. The leak, the origin of which none of the men could state, caused the sinking. The brigantine Turenne was owned at Port Decamp by Har-cher & Sons. She was of 391 tons and of wooden constructions.

PRICES RULE LOW.

Usual Friday Slump on Fresh Fish at Boston.

Seventeen of the fresh fishing fleet are at Boston today, all with very ordinary fares, and being Friday, the market, as expected, is off.

The only off shore craft is sch. Josie and Phebe with 52,000 pounds and the leading shore fisherman in is sch. Richard J. Nunan with 45,000 pounds, mostly hake and cusk.

Sch. Emelia Enos, William A. Morse, Annie Perry and Matchless of the Provincetown fleet, all have good catches.

The prices when the bell rang were \$1.65 for off shore haddock and \$2.75 for shores, \$2.30 to \$2.75 for large cod and \$1.50 for market cod, 75 cts. to \$2 for hake, \$1 for cusk and \$1.25 for pollock.